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3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 17]
(preferred arrangement set forth below, MPEP 1503.01)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description of the Invention (including drawings, if filed)
- Claim(s) 63
- Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 4]
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 2]
a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or it's equivalent
17. ☐ Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/994,050 filed November 27, 2001.

Prior application information: Examiner: Candice C. Melson

Group Art Unit: 3732

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), of pending prior application no. 09/994,050 filed on November 27, 2001.

of Robert FRIGG
 (inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)

for BONE PLATE
 (title of invention)

1. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

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2. ☒ Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 3a. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3b. ☒ A new specification, substantially identical to the pending prior application and containing no new matter, is enclosed.
- 4a. ☒ New formal drawings are enclosed.
- 4b. ☐ Informal drawings are enclosed.
- 5a. ☐ Priority of application no. filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

- 5b. ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application no. , filed .
6. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Synthes AG Chur and Synthes (USA) at Reel 013792/Frame 0809.
- 7a. ☒ The Power of Attorney is located in the file of prior application no. 09/994,050, filed November 27, 2001.
- 7b. ☐ A Power of Attorney is enclosed.
8. ☐ This application contains nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences required to be disclosed in a Sequence Listing under 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825. It is requested that the Sequence Listing in computer readable form from prior application no., filed on be made a part of the present application as provided for by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e). The sequences disclosed therein are the same as the sequences disclosed in this application. A copy of the paper Sequence Listing from application no. is enclosed.
9. ☐ The undersigned states, under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), that the content of the enclosed paper Sequence Listing from application no. is the same as the content of the computer readable form submitted in application no. .
10. ☐ DO NOT PUBLISH. I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).
11. ☐ Additional enclosures or instruction

Respectfully submitted,

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